



## **News for Immediate Release**

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### **DWR Announces ‘Catch a Special Thrill’ for Kids Event at Lake Perris**

SACRAMENTO– The Department of Water Resources (DWR), in partnership with the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW), the Department of Fish and Game (DFG), and the C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation will sponsor a “Catch a Special Thrill” for Kids event on Saturday, September 18 at Lake Perris in Riverside County.

C.A.S.T. for Kids’ events give disabled and disadvantaged young people a day of outdoor adventure. The children from local agencies; Down Syndrome Association of LA, Inland Regional Center, Autism Society, Family Resource Network, Autism Speaks & the Moreno Valley High School receive their own fishing rod, reel and tackle box before heading out to enjoy fishing with top anglers. They will also receive boating safety tips while learning about ethics of fishing and natural resources.

A continental breakfast jumpstarts the event at 7 a.m. for the 50 participating kids, their family members and volunteers. Fishing is from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., followed by a BBQ luncheon and awards ceremony.

Additional sponsors for the event include the U.S. Dept of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, USCG Auxiliary, Perris Valley Bass Anglers, Inland Empire Bassmasters, The Home Depot, Thunder from Lake Elsinore Baseball, Sam’s Club, Cabella’s and the Lake Perris Staff.

The C.A.S.T. program is intended to expand opportunities for disabled and disadvantaged youth to use and enjoy public land and water throughout State Water Project recreation facilities.

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